GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

EFS&T Department- Diversion of 1.488 Ha of forest land in Compartment No.446 of Puthalapattu RF in Chittoor East Range of Chittoor East Division for formation of Road (length: 2960 mtrs and width: 5.033 mtrs) in favour of Chairman & Secretary, Kaligiri SVST Committee, Chittoor- Permission accorded - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 62 **Dated: 11-06-2018**
Read the following:-

1. From PCCF & HoFF, Lr.No.49376/2006-F3, Dt.16-03-2009.
2. State Govt. letter No. 1973/Forest-I/2009, Dated:5/13-8-2009.
3. From GoI, MoEF& C.C, Lr.No.4-APB648/2009-BAN/7815, Dt.20-8-2010.
4. State Govt. letter No.1973/Section-II/2009, Dated:3-10-2017
5. From GoI, MoEF& C.C, Lr.No.4-APB648/2009-BAN/0702, Dt.9-4-2018.

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ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, in his letter 1st read above, has submitted a proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 1.488 Ha of forest land in Compartment No.446 of Puthalapattu RF in Chittoor East Range of Chittoor East Division for formation of Road (length: 2960 mtrs and width: 5.033 mtrs) in favour of Chairman & Secretary, Kaligiri SVST Committee, Chittoor and requested to forward the same to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, for according necessary approval under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The said proposal was sent to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, for their approval under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide State Government letter 2nd read above.

3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, vide their letter 3rd read above, have accorded in-principle (Stage-I) approval under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for the proposal, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein. Accordingly, the State Government vide letter 4th read above, have furnished compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, while according in-principle (Stage-I) approval.

4. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change in their letter 5th read above, have accorded (Stage-II) approval under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 1.488 Ha of forest land in Compartment No.446 of Puthalapattu RF in Chittoor East Range of Chittoor East Division for formation of Road (length: 2960 mtrs and width: 5.033 mtrs) in favour of Chairman & Secretary, Kaligiri SVST Committee, Chittoor, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

5. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, for diversion of 1.488 Ha of forest land in Compartment No.446 of Puthalapattu RF in Chittoor East Range of Chittoor East Division for formation of Road (length: 2960 mtrs and width: 5.033 mtrs) in favour of Chairman & Secretary, Kaligiri SVST Committee, Chittoor, subject to the following conditions:-

i. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.

ii. The State Forest Department shall carryout Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over 1.50 Ha of non forest area identified in the Sy.No.257/8 of Peta Agraharam Village, Puthalapattu Mandal from the amount which has already been realized from

the user agency; the DGPS co-ordinates of the non forest land identified shall be submitted to the Ministry of Environment & Forests & Climate Change, Regional office, Chennai within 3 months from the date of issue of this letter;

iii. Non -forest land which needs to be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation shall be declared as Reserved Forest under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section-29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section (s) of the State Forest Act. The Nodal Officer must report compliance within a period of six months from the date of grant of final approval and send a copy of the original notification for information and record;

iv. The State Forest Department shall carry out Penal Compensatory Afforestation (PCA) and its maintenance over an extent of 2.976 Ha of degraded forest land in Compartment No.454 in Cheelapalli RF of Chittoor East Range of Chittoor East (WL) Division from the amount which has already been realized from the user agency.

v. DGPS co-ordinates of the degraded forest and identified for PCA shall be furnished to the Regional Office, within a period of 3 months from the date of issue of this letter;

vi. Approved CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government; except for on account of revision of standard unit rates, if any;

vii. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency.

viii. If, in future, the temple authorities are handed over with the 650.59 acres of land identified for the proposed by expansion purposes of the temple, by the revenue authorities, no non forestry activities shall be carried out thereon without obtaining prior permission from the Government of India under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act,1980;

ix. The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred / sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.

x. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.

xi. The user agency shall raise Strip / Avenue plantations on both sides of the road at the project cost with maintenance of 7-10 years;

xii. User agency shall ensure that no disturbance caused to the nearby forest flora & fauna by the road users;

xiii. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 1.488 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;

xiv. Any other conditions that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency.

xv. In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions, the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai.

6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Chairman & Secretary, Kaligiri SVST Committee, Chittoor.

P.S to Hon'ble Minister (EFS&T)

P.S to Principal Secretary to Government, EFS&T Department.
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